

# ENGAGING DISCIPLESHIP

*Open My Eyes, My Heart, My Hands* MARK 10:46-52

## America for Christ Offering 2012

### Study Questions for 'Getting God back to the people'

- What does the concept "engaging" mean to you?
- What does the term "discipleship" look like to you?
- Why has the number of people attending church on Sundays dropped since the 1950s?
- Why are many people disinterested in hearing Jesus' message today?
- What do you believe that "God's heart" wants for God's people, as the Rev. Carren Woods says in the video?
- Why should faith make things better in the "real world," as the Rev. Glynis LaBarre says in the video?
- In the biblical passage from Mark about the healing of blind Bartimaeus, Jesus tells him, "Your faith has made you well." What does that say to today's Christians and churches about faith and opening our eyes, hearts and hands?
- What mission opportunities do you see in your neighborhood?
- What do you see as justice priorities in today's world?
- How can American Baptists get church back to the people?
- How can you and your church "line up" with the power of God's love?
- Based on the video, how do you see American Baptist Home Mission Societies developing disciples, building communities and supporting the fight for justice in today's world?
- How can you and your church partner with American Baptist Home Mission Societies to develop disciples, build communities and work for justice?

***Consider using these questions for a small group Bible study or for your Sunday school class during the America for Christ Offering 2012 window of January through March.***